

Draft Primary Curriculum Framework: Consultation Workshop Guide

Published in February for consultation, the *Draft Primary Curriculum Framework* sets out proposals for the redevelopment of the primary curriculum. Findings from this consultation will help determine the purpose, priorities, structure and components of the next curriculum for primary schools. The voices and experiences of teachers and school leaders are central in this consultation. One way of sharing your reflections on the draft proposals is for you and your colleagues to come together for a consultation workshop. There are seven different consultation workshops each with a set of questions to choose from. Each workshop also has a short presentation with audio to further help and support you in providing feedback. The suggested duration for the running of the consultation workshop is 1.5 hours.

The consultation workshops are listed below.

1. Vision
2. The principles of teaching and learning
3. Key competencies
4. New time allocations: weekly, monthly and flexible times
5. Assessment
6. A more integrated approach to teaching and learning in the junior classes
7. Transitions, continuity and progression in children's learning between preschool, primary and post-primary schools

Each consultation workshop has the following materials (in Irish and English).

1. Questions for consideration
2. Presentation with audio
3. <i>Draft Primary Curriculum Framework</i>
4. Links to two information videos
5. Response Form

Organising and facilitating a consultation workshop in your school/preschool

1. Decide which consultation workshop you wish to explore. You may choose one or more.
2. A set of questions accompanies each workshop. You may decide to use some/all/other questions to support your discussion and feedback.
3. Each presentation with audio provides information and support in considering the workshop questions.
4. You and your colleagues may choose to respond to the questions during a full staff meeting or in smaller groups of teachers or as individuals. A school can submit more than one response form.

In responding to the questions, it may be helpful:

- for participants to have read the *Draft Primary Curriculum Framework* prior to the workshop and to have access to it during the workshop. The framework can be accessed [here](#).
- for participants to view the two information videos before working with the workshop presentations. The videos can be found [here](#).
- to assign someone to facilitate and coordinate the running of the workshop (timing, pausing, collecting feedback to questions).
- for participants to work in small groups of 3 or 4 to explore the questions at the end of the presentations.

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Thank you for taking the time to provide this feedback and we look forward to receiving your responses.